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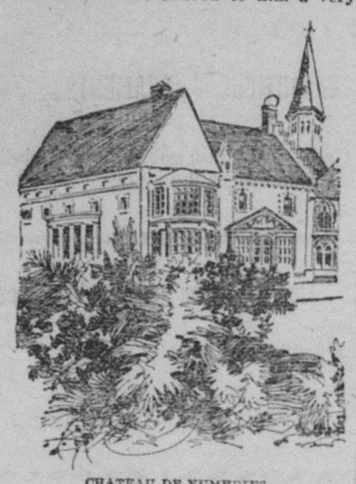
Old Subscribers to the "Centre Reporter": Do you want the "Centre Reporter" for One Dollar a year? You can have it at that price if it is paid before 1901.

SUPPLEMENT.

Home For Kruger.

President, or rather ex-President, Kruger, who is going to Europe on a Dutch warship, has taken good care to see that most if not all of his great private fortune goes with him. He would therefore be in no need of a house, even if one of his Belgian admirers had not offered to him a very



CHATEAU DE NUMERIES.

handsome place, Chateau de Numeries, as a home. Kruger's visit is causing some uneasiness in Europe, as it is feared that the wily old statesman may use his sanctuary as a base of intrigue against Great Britain. Out of respect for and possibly fear of the British lion, the other European governments will receive him merely as a private individual or as ex-presidents of other countries are received.

China offers to pay an indemnity of $200,000,000 to the allied powers for the Boxer outrages. In justice, the allied powers should deduct from their shares of the indemnity the value of all the loot taken by their soldiers, civilian subjects and high diplomatic officials, and also the value of all property destroyed otherwise than in actual military operations. An exchange of receipts in full probably would square the account.

JOHN T. LEE,
CARRIAGE AND WAGON BUILDER,
Centre Hall, Pa.

I am especially prepared to do all kinds of work in my line in a most satisfactory manner.

REMODELING

Buggies and Carriages made a specialty....

Trimming and Painting

done in the best and latest styles.

Wagon work of all kinds solicited. Our experience in wagon building qualifies us to do the best work.

Prices Meet all Competition.

NEW ELLIPTIC SPRING TOP BUGGY, hand-made, spring cushions and back, offered at a sacrifice price.

Special Offer in Photos For Xmas Trade.

With every dozen of our $3.50, $4.00, $5.00 photos, we will give one of our $1.50 Roll Gold Brooches with picture complete

With every dozen of our regular $2.00 Cabinet Enamel Photos we will give a life-size Platinum Bromide Enlargement.

Miniatures in regular Carbon Finish, 75c per dozen.

A beautiful line of fancy pictures framed, unframed and framed to order. All the latest picture novelties. See our

Display Window

in the Brockerhoff Block.

THE MALLORY-TAYLOR STUDIO,
(Studio over Lyon's Store.)
Bellefonte, - - Penn'a.

F. P. Blair & Co. No. 1, S. Allegheny Street. **F. P. Blair & Co.**

FOR SOME REASON

which we can't imagine one of our best Tea Sets has proven so far a poor seller. Being quadruple silver plate and one of the very latest styles it should have met with a ready sale at $20. For Tea, Sugar, Cream and Spoon-Holders we have decided to reduce the price to $12 per set for the balance of the line, and to protect those who have already bought so that they don't pay more for the same goods than others, we will refund the amount of the reduction, $8, if they will kindly bring the tea pot to our store at any time either before or after Christmas.

We hope to have enough of those 25c children's silver-plated Cups to last this year, but there is no telling. We thought the same last year and the year before.

F. P. Blair & Co. No. 1, S. Allegheny Street. **F. P. Blair & Co.**

Reduction Extraordinary...

20 per cent. off on all CLOTHING.

Holiday Goods are Here.

Montgomery & Co., Clothing, Hats, &c., **BELLEFONTE, PA.**

SECHLER & CO., - - - GROCERS.

We are now receiving daily invoices of New Products in our line. We are well prepared to serve all demands for Thanksgiving and Holiday Trade.

Finest Cream Cheese, Sweet New Ham and Bacon.

Prunes are fine this season. We have some good fruit at 5c per lb., and finest goods at 10c, 12c and 15c.

New crop Florida Oranges 30c, 40c and 50c per doz. White Almerine Grapes, finest pink-tinted stock. Domestic Grapes in baskets. Finest Cranberries, Celery, Sweet Potatoes, Lemons, Bananas, Royal Cheese, Large Cheese, Table Raisins, Nuts and Confectionery.

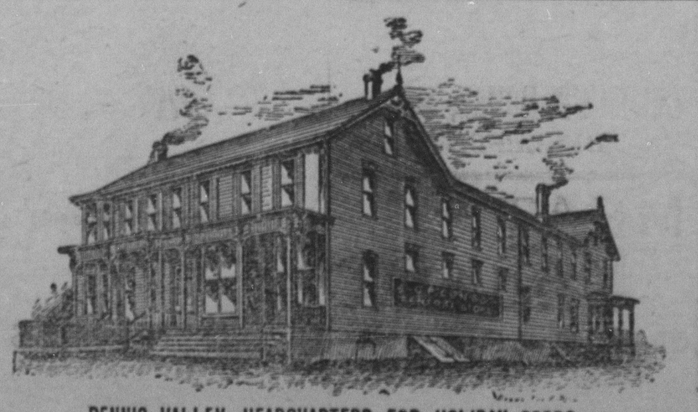
The new pack of Canned Goods are now in store.

MINCE MEAT.—We are now making our Genuine Home Made Mince Meat. All our friends who have used it know just what it is. THE BEST THAT CAN BE MADE, and the price 12 1-2c per pound.

Finest Olives, Table Oil, Pickles, Ketchups, Sauces, Mushrooms, Salmon, Lobsters, Sardines and New No. 1 Mackerel.

We can name only a few of the leading items. Come and shop through our stock. You will find goods to supply all your wants.

Sechler & Co., Bush House Block. **Bellefonte, Pa.**



PENN'S VALLEY HEADQUARTERS FOR HOLIDAY GOODS.

You will find at my store a choice selection of Holiday Goods. To enumerate would be useless, but an examination of them by you will be profitable.

CLOTHING.

We have a very complete line of Clothing. The selections are particularly suitable for our particular trade.

Clothing for Men, Youths and Children. | Clothing for a Laborer, King and Priest.

Also a general line of Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots and Shoes.

C. P. LONG, - - - Spring Mills, Pa.

Potters' Mills General Merchandise Center is the Bargain Store

We have just received large amounts of
Ginghams, Calicoes, Outings, Flannels, Shirtings, Linings, Percales, best grade & weight.

The latest and most complete lines of
Stationery, Men's Overcoats, Mufflers, Pants and Shirts, Full line of late style Shoes,

Snag Proof Footwear, etc., etc.

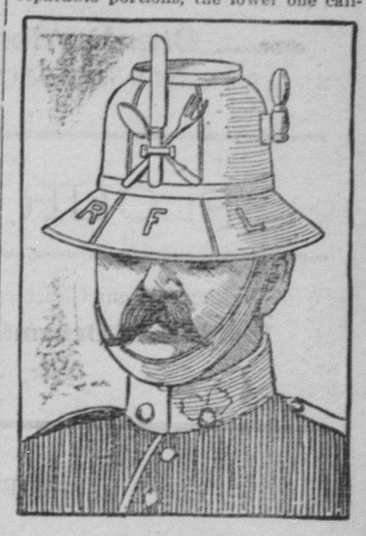
We extend an invitation to all to come and examine our goods before buying. It costs nothing to look, and often saves much money.

F. A. CARSON.

New Soldier Hat That Has Some Decidedly Novel Features.

An English inventor is out with a new helmet for soldiers which he claims is better than any other since the days of Alexander or before. It may seem like reverting to old principles to make a soldier's helmet of metal nowadays, but this helmet is constructed of aluminium, the metal of the future. It is claimed for this headpiece that it is both useful and ornamental. The ornamentation consists in crossing at the front of the helmet the knife, fork and spoon of the wearer and placing at the side his shaving brush, with the bristles up, something like a pompon.

The helmet itself is divided into two separable portions, the lower one call-



NOVEL HELMET.

ed the lower canteen, or wash basin, and the upper one called the upper canteen, or mug. The chin strap of this ingenious invention is wide and serves admirably as a razor strop. Should Tommy Atkins be called to serve in foreign lands, where the pith helmet, with its puggaree, or cloth wound around the crown, is a common sight, he can improvise an excellent puggaree from his towel.

The advantage claimed for this helmet is that it removes some of the weight of a soldier's accouterment from his back, where he even then will have too much to carry, to his head, where this slight weight is not so much felt.

D. A. WILSON, B. B. WILSON. T. G. WILSON, W. GROSS MINGLE.

The Howard Creamery Co.

Highest prices paid
For Milk, Eggs, Poultry.

CORRECT WEIGHT,
CORRECT CALCULATIONS,
CORRECT METHODS

The Howard Creamery Co.

CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS.

Ladies' solid gold rings set with opals, rubies and pearls.
Ladies' lorgnette chains.
Men's gold watch chains.
Gold and silver chain bracelets.
Gold and silver brooches.
Silver thimbles.
Ladies' gold pens.
Pearl pen holders.
Silver coat hangers.
Silver hat markers.
Silver toilet sets.
1847 Roger Bros. silver knives, forks and spoons.
Quadruple silver plated hollowware: Cake baskets, pickle casters, tea sets, napkin rings, etc.

Give us a call and examine our goods before buying elsewhere. The goods are right and the Prices are right.

G. W. BUSHMAN,
JEWELER,
Centre Hall, Pa.

IF YOU are looking for goods at right prices a call at our store will convince you that we are better than ever prepared to supply your every want. Our GROCERY DEPARTMENT is filled with a good, fresh supply of

Dried Fruits, Canned Goods, Pickles, Catsup, Best Baking and Table Syrup, Breakfast Cereals, Pettijohn's Grape Nut, Shredded Wheat Biscuit, Oat Flake, etc.

Nice Dried Peaches, Apricots, Raisins, Currents and Prunes.

Cranberries and Oranges

Also a full line of Pure Mixed Chocolate and Fancy Candies for Xmas.

FLOUR. Don't forget we carry a large stock of the best brands.

While looking for your Christmas supplies don't forget that we carry a

Full Line of Ornaments and Useful Presents

for young and old.

—OUR LINE OF—

Fall and Winter Underwear, Hats, Caps, Gloves, Mittens and Dry Goods

—IS COMPLETE.—

☞ We deliver goods to all parts of the city. ☜

Come and examine our stock and be convinced.

Meyer & Musser.

REMEMBER AND KEEP YOUR EYE on this advertisement each week as we are offering great bargains and we want the people to take advantage of them.

We will just give you a few items in Rubbers:

Ladies from 25 cents to 48 cents.
" Storm 50 cts.
Children and Misses from 20 to 42c.
Men's 70 cents.

We have a very fine Arctic for men. Remember that these goods advanced on November 1, but we took advantage of this and bought before the rise.

IN COMBINATIONS we are well fixed, and we sell them at low prices.

HORSE BLANKETS. Don't for get that we carry a very fine line of horse blankets.

BED BLANKETS. Cotton Bed Blankets at the right price.

HOSIERY.—Come and get the first choice of our Hosiery stock. We bought a large line at a way down price and you will get the advantage.

MEN'S AND BOYS' CAPS.—We have a large stock to select from.

OVERCOATS and ULSTERS, Children's Suits and Men's Pants at very low prices.

OVERALLS at prices from 40 cents to 85 cents.

FASCINATORS, Hoods, Children's Sacks, etc., etc., etc.

GLOVES.—Come and examine our line of Gloves. We have them in all shapes and all prices, but the price is low considering the quality.

IN OUR GROCERY Department you will find the very best Groceries. We can give you a good deal in Baking Powder—One cent per ounce! Think of it. Many more such bargains you will find at this store.

at the CENTRE HALL STATION.

J. F. Smith, Prop'r.

Unskilled mechanics blame their tools for doing unmechanical work.

Our tools were never in such hands.

The work turned out of this shop is mechanical in appearance and in reality.

—We are prepared to do—

Repair Work of Every Description.

Parts of machinery which you may think are broken for good, can often be mended and both time and money saved.

Now is the time to have your Buggies and Wagons repaired and repainted . . . . .

New Work of all Kinds Done to Order.

Work is positively guaranteed. Prices very reasonable.

GIVE US A CALL.

W. A. HENNEY.

SPECIAL FARMERS' INSTITUTES.

Farmers' Institutes will be held under the auspices of the Centre County Pomona Grange at the following time and places:

—SOUTH SIDE OF COUNTY.—

Centre Hall, (Grange Arcadia,)	Saturday, Dec.	15, 7 P. M.
Madisonburg,	Monday, "	17, 1.30 "
Rebersburg,	" "	" 7 "
Millheim,	Tuesday, "	18, 1.30 "
Fiedler,	" "	" 7 "
Spring Mills,	Wednesd'y "	19, 1.30 "
Potters' Mills,	" "	" 7 "
Victor Grange, Oak Hall,	Thursday "	20, 1.30 "
Washington Grange, State College,	" "	" 7 "
Pine Grove Mills,	Friday, "	21, 1.30 "
Rock Springs,	" "	" 7 "

Speakers: MORTIMER WHITEHEAD, of New Jersey; W. F. HILL, Master of the Penn'a State Grange.

—NORTH SIDE OF COUNTY.—

Howard,	Saturday, Dec.	15, 1.30 P. M.
Marion Grange, Jacksonville,	" "	" 7 "
Hublersburg,	Monday, "	17, 1.30 "
Zion,	" "	" 7 "
Logan Grange, Pleasant Gap,	Tuesday, "	18, 1.30 "
Benner Grange Hall,	" "	" 7 "
Milesburg,	Wednesday "	19, 1.30 "
Unionville,	Thursday, "	20, 1.30 "
Half Moon, Grange Hall,	Friday, "	21, 1.30 "

Speakers: W. B. PACKARD, of Bradford County, Lecturer of the State Grange; MISS HELEN JOHNSON, of Erie County.

GEO. DALE,
D. M. CAMPBELL,
JAS. F. WEAVER,
} County Com.

REMOVAL SALE!

Intending to discontinue the clothing business we will offer our entire stock, together with Men's Furnishings, at and below cost.

Men's $8 worsted suits $4.75.
Men's fine $15 blue cheviot suits $9.
Men's black cheviot overcoats $1.98.
Men's $11.50 all wool Oxford overcoats, latest style, with or without cuffs, $8.
Men's $7.50 Oxford overcoats $4.75.
Boys' brown cheviot suits, sizes 14 to 19, at $1.98.
Boys' $5.75 covert overcoats $3.87
Boys' blue chinchilla " $2.25
Children's $2.50 vestee suits $1.60
Children's $5 suits, with double-breasted open front vest, all wool and imported goods $3.75.
Children's blue chinchilla reefers $1.50.
Children's fine covert top coats $2.
Children's heavy casimere and worsted knee pants 19c.
Children's corduroy knee pants 38c.
Men's $1.50 worsted pants 95c.
Men's $3 worsted pants $2.25.
Men's and boys' 25c caps 19c.
Men's fine laundered $1 shirts 39c.

Everything else in the same proportion.

Call early for first choice.

LIEBERMAN'S CASH CLOTHING HOUSE,

Bush Arcade, High St., BELLEFONTE, PA.

Dr. Smith's Salve

IS UNRIVALED

For Old Sores.

After everything else fails
Try Dr. Smith's Salve.
It will heal every time.
Once used, always used.

Sent by mail, post paid, in two ounce tin boxes, for 25 cents. Address,

DR. SMITH CO.,
Centre Hall, Pa.

MEAT MARKET

Centre Hall, Pa.

Choice meat always on hand.

Confectioneries and Cigars.

Highest prices paid for hides.

Fat stock bought and sold.

J. S. Dauberman, Prop.

ELEGANT HOLIDAY STOCK!

An Avalanche of Christmas Goods to Select From.

"For useful things and things for sport,
The gay and curious here resort."

A large assortment of elegant Candies just received, consisting of

French Mixtures, Dainty Bonbons, Delicious Creams, Choice Confections

in wonderful profusion. Also

GAMES, PUZZLES AND BEAUTIFUL ORNAMENTS

of every description for Christmas trees. All these goods are especially fine and remarkably low in price, in fact selling at about one-third value.

Oranges, Lemons and Nuts **Fine Groceries and Genuine Spices**

for the Holidays at especially attractive prices. Also

Fresh Saddle Rock Oysters.

I also have a special line of elegant high-grade **UNDERWEAR AND BRITISH HOSIERY**, suitable for Holiday presents. There are few more acceptable gifts. My stock of Table Cutlery, Oil Cloths, Notions, Drugs, Hardware, etc., is complete. An examination of my goods and prices, I am confident, will be profitable to you in every respect. I pay the regular market prices, either in cash or trade, for all kinds of country produce, especially for poultry, butter, eggs, potatoes, apples, onions, etc.

1000 Lbs. of Poultry Wanted at Once.

A notice through the Commercial Telephnoe or a postal card addressed to Spring Mills, Pa., will receive my immediate attention.

O. T. CORMAN,

General Merchant and Produce Dealer.

We Lead, Others Follow.

Our stock of FURNITURE was never so complete as at the present time for HOLIDAY PRESENTS, and consists of

Chamber Suits of all descriptions, Couches, Rockers, Morris Chairs, Ladies' Writing Desks,

Side Boards, Ward Robes, Cribs, Chiffoniers, Large Mirrors, Clocks, Fine Rugs, Etc.

These goods will be sold in the next 30 days at reduced rates.

DON'T MISS SEEING THEM.

☞ Parties who purchase to the amount of $5.00 will get one bottle of Furniture Polish FREE and toll paid.

JOHN SMITH & BRO., - SPRING MILLS.

THE CENTRE REPORTER.

CENTRE HALL, PA., THURS. Dec. 20.

If we could pin a sample of our 15c Dress Goods to this advertisement, the store would not hold one-half the people.

Holiday Goods.

Store packed jammed full.

French Flannels, Serges and Henriettas

For handsome Shirt Waists.

Holiday Opening

Begins this year Dec. 1st. Don't think of buying until you see us.

GARMAN'S,

Bellefonte, Pa.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Coming and Going.—Visitors in and out of Town.

B. B. Wilson, of Bellefonte, is seriously ill.

J. B. Spangler, of Tusseyville, was a caller Monday.

Miss Kate Alexander arrived in town Thursday of last week.

Mrs. C. M. Bower, of Bellefonte, was the guest of Mrs. D. J. Meyer last week.

Earl Fleming is home from Lock Haven Normal where he is preparing to teach.

Miss Violetta Wolf, of Rebersburg, spent Sunday with her sister, Miss Birdie Wolf, at this place.

J. B. Rosser, of Mill Hall, and Miss Eleanor Irwin, of Walker, will be married the day after Christmas.

Amos Lee, of Colyer, had business in Centre Hall last week, and while in town paid his respects to the Reporter.

Prof. Bryson and Miss Nell Woods, of Boalsburg, were in Centre Hall Saturday and called on Miss Roxanna Brisbin.

Charles Frazier changed his address from Big Rock, Ill., to Stockton, Ill., and sent a complimentary note to the Reporter.

Malcolm Fleming, of Urbana, Ohio, is due in Centre Hall the latter part of January. He is engaged in a tailoring establishment.

Al Homan and Warner Gunder Monday went to Cresson where they secured employment in the round house at that place.

H. H. Miller, of Rebersburg, was a caller at the Reporter office Thursday to say that he is ready to make dates to call sales next spring.

Charles Luckenbach, cashier of the Bell Telephone Company, accompanied W. Gross Mingle to Centre Hall Sunday from Bellefonte.

George M. Barner, farmer and lumberman of this place, may possibly move to near Loganton, Clinton county, and engage in farming.

Charles S. Bitner, of Altoona, made a brief visit to his old home at Potters Mills. Mr. Bitner is employed in an electrical establishment at Altoona.

Miles Arney, Hoffer Dale, and Miss Grace Alexander, students at Pennsylvania State College, came home Wednesday to spend the Christmas vacation.

Mrs. Mary A. Ross, who since the last issue of the Reporter has been ill, is improving. Miss Lizzie Keller is also improving from a serious attack of illness.

Mrs. Samuel Barr, of Tyrone, after spending some time with her brother, Wm. H. Stiver, at Centre Hill, and the Boals in Centre Hall, returned home Saturday.

Prof. C. L. Gramley, of Rebersburg, was assigned the task of selecting the books for a new library to be placed in the orphanage at Sunbury, under the direction of the I. O. O. F.

Prof. George C. Watson, of State College, was elected a member of the Pennsylvania Live Stock Breeders' Association at its annual meeting held in Harrisburg last Wednesday.

J. W. Wolf, the senior partner of the mercantile firm of Messrs. Wolf & Crawford, who did business in this place up to last April, will conduct a grocery store near Philadelphia after the first of January.

Anthony W. Garver, who has been firing the large engine at Colyer's saw and stave mill, was a caller Friday. The mill will be run steadily the coming winter, which will give Anthony steady employment.

W. B. Mingle, Esq., Rev. G. W. Kershner, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Bradford, Dr. W. E. Park, Miss Blanche Boal, J. W. Wolf and family were among others who had business in Bellefonte Tuesday.

Prof. A. Ilgen, while attending institute was notified that his father was seriously ill from nervous prostration. It is unlikely that he will be able to be here in time to open school Wednesday of next week.

Miss Nelle Bryson, accompanied by Mrs. T. P. Hayes and children, of Watsontown, visited at the home of Joshua T. Potter, west of town last week, the former also visited her brother, Prof. Bryson, at Boalsburg.

Hon. L. Rhone, J. J. Arney and James A. Keller, three of the charter members of Progress Grange, incorporated near thirty years ago, attended the meeting of State Grange at Lock Haven last week. Mrs. Rhone and daughters, May and Florence, also attended.

Wm. H. Stiver, of Centre Hill, was a caller at the Reporter office Saturday to encourage the new management of the Reporter. Mr. Stiver is one of the neatest, tidiest farmers in Potter township, and besides performs all his farm work in the proper season and is usually well rewarded by good crops.

Miss Kate Alexander, sister of Dr J. F. Alexander, this, Thursday, morning started for LosAngeles, California, where she will remain for an indefinite time. Miss Alexander has covered this route on four previous occasions, and always finds pleasure in doing so. The Reporter wishes her a safe journey.

Walter Coxe, of Warriorsmark, is the name of the gentlemen who after the holidays will find regular employment in the [illegible] department of the Centre [illegible] ment and machine shops. The force in that department will be increased, and no one will lose a place by Mr. Coxe coming here.

James H. McCool, of Spring Mills, found business at the Reporter office Monday. Mr. McCool is dickering with Merchant John Harter, of Rebersburg, for the Walker farm which the latter purchased a few weeks ago. In case the gentlemen come to terms, Mr. McCool will occupy the farm himself, being of the opinion that farming is as pleasant an occupation as he knows of.

Boalsburg.

The entertainment held at the Shingletown school house was a success and netted $9.20.

Herman Long, an employe of the Westinghouse at Pittsburg, is home on a vacation.

The Christmas exercises in the Reformed church will be held on the evening of December 26 and in the Lutheran on the evening of 24th.

The merchants have all laid in a good supply of holiday goods, and sell them at reasonable prices.

The Condo Bros. have three hundred pairs of home made horse shoes on hand, and their superiority over the factory made shoe is unquestioned.

Dan Myers had eight cords of wood brought on the trucks to the McFarlane siding, but don't know who will chop it.

The collections on Sunday in the Reformed Sunday school, church and League amounted to $20.18, to be used in buying Christmas supplies.

Frank McFarlane is the first man to fill his ice house; he began on Monday morning and by Tuesday noon had all he needed.

Linden Hall.

The farmers of this place and vicinity are busily engaged in hauling their surplus grain to market.

Luther Royer and wife visited some of their many friends at Centre Hall Sunday.

The schools of this place closed Friday to open on the 26th.

Irvin Zeigler, who is teaching school at Penn Hall, paid his parents at this place a visit, prior to taking in the county institute this week. All were glad to see him again—especially Helen.

Mr. Zettle and friend, of Penn Hall, visited at the home of Luther Royer Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

Mr. Foulke, of Juniata county, is visiting some of his many friends and relatives at this place.

Miss Lizzie Gettig, of this place, left for Spring Mills Tuesday of last week, where she expects to stay for some time.

Ralph Zeigler and sister Lydia, of Centre Hall, are visiting with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Zeigler, east of town.

Wm. Brooks and wife visited with friends near Zion, during part of last and this week.

The Evangelical denomination began revival services in their church on Sunday evening; preaching every evening during the week, therefore there will be no singing school this week.

The United Evangelicals are having special services next Saturday evening. The presiding elder, Rev. Remer, will be present. Services Saturday evening, Sunday morning and evening; all who enjoy a good sermon should be there.

Friends of this vicinity, if you have any items of interest that you would like to have published, and will hand them to us not later than Monday of each week, we should be glad to mail them to the editor of this paper and they will be published.

Call on A. C. Krape, Spring Mills, and examine his fine line of shoes.

Ingleby.

Howard Eisenhuth and the scribe of Ingleby were hauling hay Saturday; they are boss teamsters.

The scribe from High Valley made a raid on lumber at Ingleby; that is the way to get it cheap.

Dr. Barker and son were hunting rabbits on Saturday, the last time for this season.

Wm. Koonsman is getting ready to build a new house.

The scribe from Ingleby and Howard Eisenhuth are getting out props for A. J. Guntshall.

The scribe from High Valley is sitting at his desk writing a book about his Barney; it will be for sale in a few days.

The real estate agent and J. W. Galer are getting out a car of planks.

J. W. Galer and the real estate agent are going to get up a party to cut wood for Sal Thomas next week.

T. O. Keen the walking boss at Ingleby, is talking of moving his mill to Williamsport to saw for that company.

Rebersburg.

J. W. Wolf and family, of Centre Hall, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Wolf's uncle, John Wolf.

Henry School, who was reported dying in the last issue, has again rallied and is resting a little easier.

Miss Marion Emerick, of Wolf's Store, spent Sunday and Monday with friends in town.

Lee Sholl, who is attending College at Fredericksburg, is spending his vacation at home.

Messrs. Samuel Gephart and Curtis Bierly, students at the Lewisburg Business College, are home on their vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Baker, of Huntingdon, are spending a few weeks at Mrs. Baker's home, having been called here on account of the serious illness of her father, Henry Sholl.

Miss Eva Moyer, after spending a fortnight with friends in Columbia county, returned last Thursday.

Mrs. John W. Meyer is spending the week in Bellefonte.

Miss Alma Gramley, daughter of County Superintendent Gramley, is spending the week among friends in Bellefonte and attending institute.

There will be three Christmas entertainments in town; the Lutheran, Evangelical, and United Evangelical.

No one can reasonably hope for good health unless his bowels move once each day. When this is not attended to, disorders of the stomach arise, biliousness, headache, dyspepsia, and piles soon follow. If you wish to avoid these ailments keep your bowels regular by taking Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets when required. They are so easy to take and mild and gentle in effect. For sale by Mrs. J. W. Keller, Linden Hall; J. F. Smith, Centre Hall.

Miss Anna Miller, of Selinsgrove was fatally injured by being thrown from a buggy.

Help is needed at once when a person's life is in danger. A neglected cough or cold may soon become serious and should be stopped at once. One Minute Cough Cure quickly cures coughs and colds and the worst cases of croup, bronchitis, grippe and other throat and lung trouble. J. D. Murray.

SOFT

Shoes for tender feet feel comfortable the first day, and last until you are astonished at the quality and low price. The Walkover Fine Shoe at $3.50 and $4.00 are that. Try them.

POWER'S SHOE CO.

Bellefonte, - - - Penn'a.

Chambersburg Business College...

—AND—

.....Civil Service SCHOOL.

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Under new management, June 1, 1900. Complete Courses in . . . .

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Students can enter at any time.—Day and night session. Day students admitted to Night sessions without extra charge.

Students assisted to positions when thoroughly qualified.—Rates and supplies lower than other schools of this kind.—Vacation for 1900, Dec. 21st to 31.—Send for our new college catalogue.—Any one contemplating taking any course taught by us would do well to address,

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Philip McMans, upon being apprehended at Scranton, confessed to having committed the robbery at Hilton's Lock Haven drug store. The scamp was an inmate of the Elmira reformatory, the vigilence of which institution he escaped. He was sent back to the reformatory.

MAY REJECT THE TREATY

Report that England Has Pronounced the Davis Amendment Unacceptable.

WILL BE LAID ASIDE BY SENATE.

Situation Regarding the Canal More Complicated--Talk of Abrogating Clayton-Bulwer Agreement--Statement is Denied that Lord Pauncefote Told Secretary Hay Great Britain Would Not Accept the Davis Amendment.

Washington (Special). — President McKinley now knows beyond question that Great Britain will not accept the Hay-Pauncefote treaty as amended by the Senate.

Lord Pauncefote, acting under instructions from the British Government, has informed Secretary Hay of the fact and has intimated that if the Administration desired to avoid friction between the two great English-speaking Powers the President would do well to recall the convention from the Senate before that body acts finally upon it.

The hint, it is explained by State Department officials, was given in all kindness, and was meant for a private, rather than as a diplomatic, suggestion.

The absolute knowledge that England will not agree to the treaty with the Senate amendments adds much to the complication of the situation, although the President has, of course, been unofficially cognizant of the British position for some time.

Lord Pauncefote, by his communication to the Secretary of State, has made it incumbent upon Mr. McKinley to act, and act quickly. He has to decide whether he will call the treaty back or allow it to be ratified, and then present it in its mangled form to England, ostensibly for adoption, but in reality for rejection.

Of course, neither of these plans is acceptable to the President, and he is casting about for some other way out of the dilemma that would not put the country and himself in such a humiliating position. There is talk that he is endeavoring to get the Republican Senators who opposed the paper in its original shape to agree to have the treaty sent back to the Foreign Relations Committee, and that it be permitted to remain there undisturbed for a long time to come.

It is useless to conceal that the jingo spirit has the upper house in its grasp, and the cry for "an Americal canal" is more potent just now than any logic that might be advanced. Indeed, it looks as if a time for taking a vote on the treaty may be fixed soon.

Almost as much interest attaches to whether an amendment will be adopted abrogating the Clayton-Bulwer treaty in terms as to the fate of the Hay-Pauncefote convention itself. The probability is that some such amendment will be incorporated, and it is supposed that the British Minister had that in mind when he told Mr. Hay that his Government would reject an emasculated document.

Authorities on international law here say that it would be a dangerous proceeding for the United States, of its own accord, to abrogate such a treaty, arguing that no matter how far Great Britain's acts might lead to the belief that she had violated the spirit of the treaty, she had never formally withdrawn her sanction from that convention.

TERRORIZED BY BANK ROBBERS.

They Dynamited a Private Bank, Keeping Off All Till the Job Was Done.

Shanesville, O. (Special). — Four masked men discovered in the act of dynamiting the vault of John Doerschuck's private bank, drove off all who attempted to interfere and got away with between $3000 and $4000.

An explosion of nitro-glycerine about 3 a. m. awakened John Rhodes, who lives opposite the Doerschuck bank. Rhodes saw two men working at the vault doors, while two others stood guard at the main entrance of the bank building. Rhodes, revolver in hand, rushed into the street and was met by a volley from the sentinels. He held his ground, however, until his weapon was empty. Mary Knowels, relative of Banker Doerschuck, heard the shooting and raised a window of her room, only to draw the fire of the robbers.

Dozens of the inhabitants appeared by this time, but most of them were unarmed and were forced to conceal themselves by the shower of bullets which greeted every newcomer.

In the course of half an hour the robbers managed to remove the doors of the vault and pried open the money drawers. They hastily dumped all the specie into bags and leaving the bank, backed through the streets to the tracks of the Wheeling and Lake Erie road. A handcar was secured and the men disappeared toward Baltic.

A trace of blood was found leading from the bank. Alarms were sent out in all directions by the telephone. A few hours later it was announced that the handcar had been found abandoned between here and Baltic. Bloodhounds were secured and a large posse at once started on the trail.

Princess Maria to Wed.

Madrid (By Cable).—The much-disputed marriage of Princess Maria de las Mercedes, oldest sister of King Alfonso, who, until the latter's birth, was Queen of Spain, to Prince Charles of Bourbon is about to be settled affirmatively, despite the bitter hostility of the opposition politicians. Queen Regent Christina has received a letter couched in the most flattering terms from the Count of Caserta, asking her daughter's hand in marriage for his son. The Queen Cabinet and communicated to the Regent at once summoned the members the contents of the letter. The request therein was formally granted, and the Ministers were then taken to congratulate the Princess.

FIELD OF LABOR.

Philadelphia has 55,000 unionists.

Cincinnati elevator men will organize.

St. Paul carpenters are fined for working overtime.

Switzerland exports annually $8,000,000 worth of cheese.

Over 600,000 pounds of tea is consumed in England daily.

Great Britain annually produces 300,000,000 yards of textiles.

Chicago's Union Label League opposes a universal label.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

A letter from the Philippines tells of the shooting and killing of Corporal Herbert Chase of the Twenty-ninth Volunteer Infantry, whose home was in Marlboro, Mass. He was killed by Jake Henderson, of the same regiment, in mistake for a boloman, in the darkness.

The building of the construction department at the Norfolk Navy Yard was totally destroyed by fire. Valuable plans, models and papers were destroyed. The loss is estimated to be $200,000.

Two negroes, who waylaid, murdered and then robbed a white barber at Rockport, Ind., were lynched in the jailyard by a mob of 500 people.

A floor collapsed during burial services over the body of Wilmer Worthington, at Doylestown, Pa., precipitating 60 persons into the basement, a number being injured.

Miles Novotny left the stopcock to a gas-heating stove open, and both he and Henry B. Gibbons, who roomed in the next room, died from the effects of escaping gas.

Extensive additions, costing hundreds of thousands of dollars, are to be made in the near future to the Chesapeake and Ohio terminals at Newport News, Va.

A decision of Chancellor Magie, of New Jersey, is a step toward breaking up the practice of secret divorces through the chancery courts of that State.

An attendant at the St. Lawrence State Hospital, Ogdensburg, New York, was attacked by an insane patient with a pocketknife and nearly killed.

Ross Leonard, a schoolteacher of Preston county, W. Va., was discharged for giving a swear word to his class to spell. The word was damn.

By the capsizing of a boat on Lake Michigan, a man and two women perished, and two men had a terrible experience.

At Abbottstown, Pa., Heszekiah McKonley, 70 years old, was married to Miss Alverta Langhman, 15 years old.

Maurice Barrymore returned to New York from Kansas City broken down in health and memory.

Calvin Brice's widow died in New York on the second anniversary of her husband's death.

William D. Rebuck was shot and killed by some unknown person in Shippensburg, Pa.

Mrs. Mary Cramer, of Philadelphia, is cutting her third set of teeth, at the age of 88.

Jere Rhodarmer was killed by a freight train near Chambersburg, Pa.

Judge Andrews in New York decided that William Waldorf Astor, being now a permanent resident of England, need not pay personal taxes in New York.

News was received in Wytheville, Va., of the death in Rome of Mrs. Joseph C. Heywood, widow of the former private chamberlain to the Pope.

"Dr." James Armstrong was sentenced to one year in jail in Chicago and to pay a fine of $500 for selling bogus medical diplomas.

Aaron R. Sutherland, bookkeeper for Charles W. Glidden, a real estate agent in Boston, is missing and so is the sum of $8000.

The jury in Norfolk in the case of former Chief of Police Prince, accused of killing Mr. Cannon, brought in a verdict of not guilty.

The convention of the Federation of Labor adjourned, after re-electing Mr. Gompers president and electing other officers.

Henry Ives Cobb, George E. Harding and William T. Gooch were expelled from the American Institute of Architects.

John Addison Porter, former private secretary to President McKinley, died at his home in Pomfret, Ct.

William Benton Fitch and his son were arrested in San Francisco for filing ten-dollar gold pieces.

Bessie Phillips, a young girl, was adjudged by a commission of lunacy in Newport News, Va., to be insane.

J. M. Harris, who is wanted in West Virginia for embezzlement, was arrested in Richmond, Va.

There is another movement on foot in Richmond to secure the passage of a curfew ordinance.

Carrie Lauer was nearly burned to death in York, as the result of a stove explosion.

Lewis Ottendorfer, editor of the Staats Zeitung, died at his home in New York.

The great windstorm did considerable damage along the Pacific coast.

Mrs. Margaret M. Heppenheimer was arrested in New York on a charge of having forged the names of Fred B. House and Moses H. Grossman, of the law firm of House, Grossman & Vorhaus, to a check for a sum of $25,750.

The jury in the case of Miss Jessie Morrison, who was tried in Eldorado, Kan., on the charge of murdering Mrs. Olin Castle, was unable to reach a verdict after being out for four days, and was discharged.

The American Federation of Labor adopted the report of a committee recommending the securing of legislation for voluntary arbitration as opposed to compulsory arbitration.

A mistake in signals caused an accident between an express train and an accommodation near Edgeworth, Pa., in which five passengers and five trainmen were injured.

President D. C. Gilman, of the Johns Hopkins University, was elected president of the National Civil Service Reform League, Carl Schurz having declined re-election.

Alexander Stewart, 14 years old, received with a sneer a sentence of 20 years' imprisonment, imposed by Judge Fursman, in New York, for manslaughter.

A terrific storm swept San Francisco and other parts of California. A great gas receiving tank in San Francisco was struck by lightning, but no one was hurt.

Edward Oswald, who murdered his wife and child in Camden, N. J., was sentenced to 60 years' imprisonment at hard labor.

Cornelius L. Alvord, Jr., teller of the First National Bank of New York, pleaded not guilty to the charge of looting the bank.

Four miners lost their lives by accidents in mines about Scranton.

The Superior Court in Indianapolis

LYNCHED BY A MOB.

Two Negroes Had Waylaid and Murdered a Popular Barber.

OCCURRED IN AN INDIANA TOWN.

Guilty Men Were Dragged From Their Cells in Jail and Swung Up--One of the Witnesses Now a Maniac--He Had Gone to the Rescue of the Murdered Man and Afterward Helped the Crowd to Wreak Its Vengeance.

Rockport, Ind. (Special).—Two negroes, Jim Henderson and Bud Rowlands, who waylaid, brutally murdered and robbed Hollie Simons, a white barber, of this town, were lynched in the jail-yard by a mob of 1000 frenzied citizens. The negroes were arrested early, and although Rowlands' clothing had bloodstains on it the men claimed they were innocent of the crime. In the meantime Sheriff Clemens, of Union county, Ky., arrived with a trained bloodhound in response to a telegraphic summons.

When the dog was placed on the trail he followed it until he reached the house where Rowlands lived, six blocks from the scene of the murder, and went baying to the bed the negro had occupied. This was enough for the excited citizens. Within a few minutes a mob of 1000 howling, bloodthirsty men, with sledge-hammers, ropes and guns, were running to the jail. Sheriff Anderson and his two deputies made a stand and attempted to protect the prisoners. The officers were seized by the leaders of the mob, who disarmed them.

The Sheriff was then locked in a room and placed under guard, but he stoutly refused to give up the keys or tell where the prisoners were hidden. Failing to get the keys the mob made a determined but unsuccessful attempt to break in the jail door. By this time the would-be lynchers were in a perfect frenzy, and securing a telegraph pole they used it as a battering ram and caved in the side wall of the jail. The door of Rowland's cell was then quickly broken in with sledges and he was dragged from the jail to the east side of the courtyard, where a noose was placed about his neck. He was given time to make a statement, in which he implicated Jim Henderson and another negro. Rowland then begged piteously for mercy, but the mob swiftly swung the confessed murderer to a tree and riddled his body with bullets.

Leaving the body of Rowland dangling from the limb of the tree the mob rushed back to the jail and attempted to burst open the cell occupied by Henderson, but before the steel bars yielded to the blow of the sledges someone in the crowd fired upon the terrified negro as he crouched in the corner of his cell. A few moments more and the door of the cell was broken in. The negro, more dead than alive, was dragged at a rope's end to the courthouse-yard and swung on the tree beside the body of Rowland.

FOUR PERSONS POISONED.

Three Others Dying and Two Seriously Ill--Jealousy the Cause.

Marietta, O. (Special).—As a result of a mysterious case of poisoning at Forsythe mines, near here, four persons are dead, three are dying and two others are seriously ill.

The dead are Andrew Barnick, Mary Lucsok or Laichak, Andy Litchie and a child, name not given.

The coroner and a physician went to the place and learned that all the victims had died in great agony, suffering, without a doubt, from poison. A post-mortem was held at once on the bodies, and the stomachs were secured for anaylsis. Two other men are seriously ill with the same symptoms as Litchie, and are considered to be in a dangerous condition.

The people all lived close to each other, and were taken ill, after having eaten supper. There are many signs that poison had been placed in their food, but by whom is yet to be determined. Barnick, the dead man, was to have been married on Monday to Rose Laichak, a sister of the dead woman.

A telephone message was received from the Forsythe mines, which says that three other men are in a critical condition. Miss Laichak is also in a serious condition from the nervous shock caused by the loss of her affianced husband, and who had a home already secured and furnished to go to housekeeping.

She was unable to go to his bedside, although the last request made by Barnick was for Miss Laichak to come, that he wanted to see her, and it is supposed he had some kind of a story to tell that would disclose the guilt of the person who is responsible for the wholesale poisoning. It is believed that some one, jealous of the couple, who were on the eve of marriage, committed the deed.

Women Propose a Lynching.

Wichita, Kan. (Special).—It is reported that at an indignation meeting of women at Eldorado it was proposed to lynch Jessie Morrison, the alleged murderer of Mrs. Olin Castle, the jury in her case having disagreed. Conspicuous among those present at the meeting, it is said, was Mrs. Roland Wiley, the mother of the murdered woman. Indignation is strong in Eldorado.

Killed By Trolley Car.

Norfolk, Va. (Special).—Charles A. Esleeck, a brickmason employed in the navy-yard, met a horrible death in Portsmouth. He was run over by a trolley car and his body crushed into an unrecognizable mass. Esleeck, who was very deaf, attempted to cross a dark street in front of the rapidly moving car, which struck him with full force. Motorman Grandy and Conductor Gay surrendered themselves to the police.

Sharp Earthquakse.

Santiago de Cuba (Special). — A sharp earthquake shock was felt here. It was the most severe that had been experienced in several years and almost created a panic at the San Carlos Club, where a grand ball was in progress.

It was preceded by a dull sound like a mine explosion. Two shocks followed, the former being quite severe and the latter scarcely perceptible.

No injury was done in the city with the exception of the breaking of dishes.

SIX GIRL STUDENTS PERISH.

Burning of a New York State Normal and Training School.

Dunkirk, N. Y. (Special).—From the smouldering ruins of the Fredonia State Normal and Training School, which was destroyed by fire at six o'clock a. m., one charred body has been recovered, and a revision of the list of missing makes it certain that seven persons perished in the fire, which also entailed a property loss of $200,000.

There were 75 young women students in the building, of whom six perished. The other victim is the aged janitor.

The young women occupied rooms on the third floor of the building, in company with a matron and 50 other young women, who succeeded in escaping by descending the fire-escapes. The body which was recovered from the ruins is supposed to be that of Miss Storms. It was burned beyond recognition. To account for the origin of the fire puzzles the local board of managers, as there is no fire in the building, the heat being piped from a boiler two blocks away. The fire started in the private room of Janitor Morris, and was discovered by Charles Gibbs, assistant janitor, who notified Janitor Morris, and then ran to the fire alarm station, a block away. Janitor Morris evidently lost his life while fire fighting. Miss Pizzell was at the head of the fire escape, and turned back into the burning building to save a diamond ring, thus losing her life. The others who perished suffocated without being able to find the fire-escapes. It is stated that heavy wire screens were firmly nailed across the windows leading to the fire-escapes, and the only way the lucky ones escaped was by crawling through windows adjacent to the escapes and then creeping along the gutter of the mansard roof.

Nothing was saved of the magnificent building—not even the personal effects of the ladies in the dormitory or the valuable records of the school. Grief-stricken parents are arriving to assist in the search for their dead. School has been adjourned until January 3, when classes will meet in the different halls and churches of the village. Plans for a new and larger structure are already under way. The legislature will be asked to make an appropriation equal to the insurance.

TRADE NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Prices of Commodities Are Generally Steady and Trade Brisk at All Points.

New York (Special).—R. G. Dun & Co.'s "Weekly Review of Trade" says:

"Industrial conditions continue strong, with no great accumulation of new goods in any quarter. In spite of the break in cotton the market for fabrics is still in good position, sellers having little to offer and nothing at cuts in prices. A sharp rise to a minimum of $4.85 in the wholesale price of coal, fully 35 cents in two weeks, reflects actual scarcity of the product more than negotiations to harmonize the trade.

"Even the most sanguine estimates did not equal the actual decrease in furnace stocks of pig iron during November, which amounted to 84,830 tons, according to 'The Iron Age.' This authority reports an increase in the weekly capacity of furnaces in blast to 228,846 tons on December 1, which is the first gain recorded since June.

"General conditions as to partially manufactured and finished products in the iron and steel industry are little changed.

"Most footwear manufacturers have booked sufficient business to keep them well occupied for many weeks.

"Sales of wool at the three chief Eastern markets increased to 6,785,300 pounds against 5,267,340 in the previous week.

"Exports of cotton in November were valued at $15,054,071, more than in the same month last year, mainly owing to an advance of 2.3 cents in price. The enormous rise in quotations is shown by the fact that a year ago the average export price was 2.1 cents above November, 1898, making 4.3 cents, or 82.7 per cent., advance in two years.

"Failures for the week were 240 in the United States, against 218 last year, and twenty-six in Canada against twenty-six last year."

"Bradstreet's" says:

"Favorable conditions rule generally in all lines of seasonable trade. In leading industries the best report is still that made by finished products of the iron and steel industry, but other favorably situated lines are boots and shoes and lumber. The cereals are lower in price.

"Wheat, including flour, shipments for the week aggregate 4,785,577 bushels, against 3,432,159 last week and 3,268,649 in the corresponding week in 1899. Corn exports for the week aggregate 4,853,458, against 5,371,375 last week and 4,017,185 in this week a year ago."

OVERPOWERED THE MARSHAL.

Then the Robbers Dynamited a Bank and Looted a Store.

Brighton, Ill. (Special).—Five men, posing as tramps, were permitted to lodge in the lockup here. During the night they overpowered the town marshal, locked him in a cell, and broke into the private bank of Blodett Bros. Several charges of dynamite were exploded, but the vault, which contained a large sum, was only partially wrecked, and the men gave up trying to secure it. The general store of Edward Butler was next visited. Here the safe was blown open, and several hundred dollars secured. The men were entering another store when an alarm of fire was sounded from Butler's. Meantime, the robbers escaped. A posse with bloodhounds is in pursuit.

Convict Kills Two Men.

Logansport, Ind. (Special).—Martin Kuhns, who escaped from the Ohio penitentiary Thanksgiving Day, shot and killed two officers who were trying to arrest him at Avilla.

Exposition Financial Loss.

Paris (Special).—The official report of the finances of the Exposition shows a loss of two million francs. The total of expenditure is 116,500,000 francs. The receipts amounted to 114,500,000 francs. The loss is less than in the case of either preceding expositions.

Another Carnegie Gift?

Richmond, Ind. (Special).—Andrew Carnegie is considering the gift of a sum sufficient to endow a school for librarians at Winona, Ind., and it is said he looks on the plan with favor.

THE FIGHTING BOERS.

The Latest British Losses Nearly Six Hundred Men.

ONE OF THE MOST SEVERE REVERSES

The Four Companies of Fusiliers Captured Belong to the Flower of the British Army--General Joubert's Son Killed, and the Boer Losses Also Heavy in the Recent Battle.

London (By Cable).—The worst reports of the latest disaster to the British forces in South Africa are confirmed. General Clements' losses in Thursday's battle were 5 officers and 9 men killed, many wounded, and 18 officers and 555 men missing. The entire four companies of the Northumberland Fusiliers are in the hands of the Boers. It is pointed out here as ominously significant that the news of this latest defeat of the British occurred upon the anniversary of the battle of Colenso, when General Buller, in attempting to force a passage of the Tugela River at Colenso, was repulsed with a loss of 1097 officers and men and 11 guns. Three days later it was announced by the British War Office that Lord Roberts would be sent to command in South Africa, with Lord Kitchener as chief of staff, and that 100,000 men would be sent to the front. Lord Roberts' departure for England seems to have been the signal for the Boers to take on a new lease of fighting life.

General Lord Kitchener's latest official report of reverses follows:

"Clements brought in his force to Commando Nek, unopposed. The casualties were, I regret to say, heavy—killed, five officers and nine of other ranks; missing, 18 officers and 555 of other ranks. These latter were four companies of the Northumberland Fusiliers, who were stationed on the hill, and some yeomanry and other details sent up to support them. Names and nature of wounds are being telegraphed from Cape Town.

"Broadwood's Brigade took no part in the engagement. The Boers suffered severely. Knox drove De Wet north to the Thabanchu-Ladybrand line, which was held by our troops. De Wet's force, about 3000 strong, made several attempts to get through during the day, assisted by a force of Boers operating from the North. These attacks were driven back, though some of the Boers from the South were able to get through the line."

Wiring later, Lord Kitchener reports that, while passing the lines in the neighborhood of Thabanchu, De Wet's force lost considerably. The South African Light Horse and Thorneycroft's Mounted Infantry captured a 15-pounder, taken at De Wet's Dorp, a pompon, several wagons with ammunition, 22 prisoners and some horses and mules. A portion of the enemy has not been able to pass North.

BRYAN TO ISSUE WEEKLY PAPER.

The Former Presidential Candidate Will Be Editor and Publisher.

Lincoln, Neb. (Special).—William J. Bryan gave out the following statement:

"I have for several years had in contemplation the establishment of a weekly newspaper, and this seems an opportune time for undertaking it. Intending to devote my life to the study and discussion of public questions, I have taken this method because it will best accomplish the purpose which I have in view. Through a paper I will be able to keep in touch with social, economic and political problems. The paper will, at the same time, if successful, provide an income sufficient for my pecuniary needs, and this kind of work will allow me more time with my family than I have been able to enjoy for several years past.

"I expect to lecture occasionally, especially in college towns, where I can speak to students; but my principal work will be done with the pen, or, perhaps I should say, with the pencil.

"The paper will be called The Commoner and will defend the principles set forth in the Kansas City platform. I shall be publisher and editor. Place of publication, Lincoln."

Voting In Mississippi.

New Orleans, La. (Special).—The effect of the Mississippi plan of encouraging voters is well shown in the case of the municipal election just held in Eudora, De Soto county. The election was for a full town government, Mayor, Marshal, Treasurer and four Aldermen, seven in all. Of the seven officers elected six were judges and commissioners of election. Only eight votes were cast, the seven candidates voting for themselves, with only one outside or private citizen. Thus the same men were voters, candidates for office and judges of election to pass as judges on their own votes as voters for themselves.

Trestle Falls With a Train.

Des Moines (Special).—An engine, 12 cars and five men plunged down a 50-foot embankment on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railway, near Murray, Ia. John Dozle was killed, and the four other men, names unknown, were badly hurt, two probably fatally. A trestle gave way under the train's weight.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Mr. Kruger states that he has not yet decided to visit the United States.

German troops arriving from China were given an enthusiastic reception in Berlin.

Great Britain has not yet authorized her minister at Pekin to sign the joint note of the powers to China.

Selma Schnapka, who attempted to kill Emperor William on November 18, has been placed in an insane asylum.

A party of Cape Colony Boers and their families have been granted permission to settle in German Southwest Africa.

The German naval training ship Gneisenau has foundered off Malaga, and it is reported 40 persons were drowned.

Great Britain is now urging the Turkish government to pay claims of British subjects in connection with the Armenian troubles.

The British steamer Taboga, which had been seized by the Colombian government, was released and saluted by a Colombian battery.

Mr. Kruger comments hopefully upon the fact that the latest disaster to British arms took place on the anniversary of the battle of Colenso.

CONGRESSIONAL MATTERS.

What the National Legislature is Doing at Washington.

Senator Lodge made another unsuccessful attempt to have the Senate set a date for a vote on the Hay-Pauncefote Treaty. A number of amendments were proposed.

Delegate Wilcox, who will represent Hawaii in Congress, arrived and made acquaintances among the members of the House.

The House Census Committee, by a small majority, favors retaining the membership of the House at its present number.

The House passed the War Revenue Reduction Bill. The opposition sought to recommit the bill with instructions to report back a measure reducing the revenue at least $70,000,000, and including a provision for an income tax so drawn as to escape an adverse decision of the Supreme Court. The motion failed—131 to 155.

The Pension Appropriation Bill, carrying $145,145,230, was passed by the House in exactly 12 minutes.

The Senate, in secret session, adopted an amendment to the Hay-Pauncefote treaty which would authorize the United States to fortify the canal.

Archbishop Ireland and Bishop Goldrick argued before the Senate Committee on Naval Affairs in favor of the canteen system.

Mr. Hanna occupied the time of the Senate in open session with his argument on the Ship Subsidy Bill.

The Secretary of War cabled instructions to General MacArthur to begin returning the volunteers and keep it up until all are back in the United States.

Mr. F. Degetan, the newly elected commissioner from Porto Rico, made his first appearance at the Capitol, and was warmly welcomed.

The State Department was advised of the death of Henry Morris Hunt, United States consul at Antigua, W. I.

Why Russia Holds a Railroad.

St. Petersburg (By Cable).—The Official Messenger publishes an inspired statement as to the views of the Russian Government concerning the railroad extending from Yang-Tsun to Shan Hai Kwan. It repudiates the charge that the Russians have acted illegally in holding the line, contending that Russia's action was necessitated by military considerations, declining to recognize the British as owners of the line, but admitting that they have the preponderating financial interest, and finally promising to restore it to the former administration after the foreign troops have evacuated the Province of Pechili.

Great Meteor Observed.

Denver (Special). — Dr. Herbert Howe, of Chamberlain Observatory, Denver, is collecting data concerning one of the largest meteors seen for more than 30 years.

It was observed December 8 between 3 and 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Reports come from both sides of the Rocky Mountain Divide as far north as Saratoga, Wyo., and as far south as Delta, Col. The meteor appeared nearly as large as the moon. When apparently just above North Park, Col., it exploded with accompanying phenomena resembling an earthquake.

Big Fire at Easton.

Easton, Md. (Special).—The large brick building, owned by the Jump heirs, in the heart of the business centre of the town, was destroyed by fire. It is thought the fire originated near the furnace in the basement, as the flames were breaking out from there when discovered. The damage will probably be about $10,000. J. C. Godwin & Co., and the Cook Bros., who occupied the building as dry goods and grocery stores, respectively, will be the heaviest losers.

Narrow Escape for Robson.

Louisville, Ky. (Special). — Stuart Robson, the actor, had a narrow escape from death while passing through on the Queen and Crescent Railway. Two revolver bullets, coming from a hilltop near the tracks, passed through the window of Robson's compartment and shattered the woodwork over his head. The authorities were immediately notified and arrested James Stout, one of the richest young men in this part of the State, who is charged with doing the shooting.

Alleged "Count" a Swindler.

Chicago (Special).—"Count" William von Zedlitz is a prisoner here, charged with having swindled nearly 100 persons by issuing fraudulent life insurance policies. The prisoner, it is claimed, secured blank policies from several prominent companies and filled them out himself, pocketing the money he received for premiums. He had been operating in Chicago for many months. The companies have had detectives searching for Von Zedlitz since last Spring. The prisoner cried like a child when he was confronted with the evidence against him. He is 40 years old.

Mrs. Hearst's Great Project.

San Francisco, Cal. (Special).—Architect Barhard's revised plans for the projected University of California buildings have been accepted by the regents. They contemplate an expenditure of about $10,000,000. Mrs. Phoebe Hearst, the donor of the plan, says that work will be started soon on the mining building.

Pension Appropriation Bills.

Washington (Special).—The Pension Appropriation bill was completed by the House Sub-committee on Appropriations having it in charge, after a hearing from Commissioner of Pensions Evans. It carries about $145,250,000, of which about $144,000,000 is for pensions and the balance for administration.

German Schoolship Lost.

Madrid (By Cable).—The German training frigate Gneisenau has foundered off Malaga, 65 miles northeast of Gibraltar.

The Gneisenau foundered at the entrance to the port of Malaga, where she was about to take refuge from the terrible storm prevailing. At the present time only the masts of the vessel are visible.

The captain and many of the cadets have been drowned. It is believed that 40 who left in one of the ship's boats and have not been seen since, are also lost.

Christmas Chimes

BLOW high, blow low! Across the snow
The joyous chimes are pealing.
With gladsome sound they bring around
A soft forgiving feeling;
The loving cup to brim fill up
And toast to friends absenting;
With greetings sweet our lov'd ones meet,
With not a voice dissenting.

Blow high, blow low! Across the snow
We welcome wintry weather;
Let dame and sire, around the fire,
Remember past together;
Let youth from age learn lessons sage
And profit by the teaching
That Christmas cheer brings once a year
The mirth without the preaching.

Blow high, blow low! Across the snow,
Whilst Christmas bells are pealing,
The thankful heart shall joy impart
To those 'neath burdens reeling.
Let Christmas time with thoughts sublime
The seasons ne'er dissever,
Though all thy days the sad upraise,
Then joy shall last forever.

A War-Time Christmas

IT was Christmas Eve, but there was no cheerfulness or mirth in the Truesdale family as they sat down to their meal. Nor was it the scant fare, which consisted of a dish of potatoes and some rosy apples, that made the family so downhearted. There were only three of them that sat down to the table — Mrs. Truesdale, a sweet faced Quaker, and her two children, Jack and Dolly. Neither of the children was over fourteen years of age, but they were more grave and thoughtful looking than many young folks of twenty.

And you will all understand this when I tell you that the scene was Trenton, N. J., or, rather, an old farmhouse near to Trenton, during the Revolutionary War. The hated Hessians overran the country, pillaging and plundering. But just across the dark, turbulent waters of the Delaware Washington's small, resolute force hugged the campfires waiting for darkness that they might steal across and give the Hessians that memorable Christmas surprise party which is now a matter of history.

Captain Truesdale, the children's father, because of his knowledge of the surrounding country, had been chosen by Washington to reconnoitre the enemy's position for information that would aid the commander when he should make his attack on Trenton.

The Truesdale home, with its green, fertile acres and its handsome barn, stood a mile to the eastward of Trenton town, and along the river road.

"It is but a sorry Christmas without thy father here," said Mrs. Truesdale sadly.

"If we could have one glimpse of dear father to-night before we go to bed," quoth Mistress Dolly, with a sigh.

"And so ye shall," came in a loud whisper from the doorway, and the next instant Captain Truesdale, muffled in great coat, still glistening with the falling snow, was in the room making valiant attempts to hug all three

GREAT CHUNKS OF SNOW-TOPPED ICE CRUNCHED AND JOLTED AGAINST THE BOAT'S SIDE.

at one and the same time. When the embraces were over, Mrs. Truesdale glanced anxiously out of the window.

"Thy life is in danger, Henry," she said, "if the Hessians find ye here."

"Aye, but they won't, I warrant ye," said the Captain cheerfully. "There are no foraging bands of Hessians about to-day. They are hugging the fires and brewing the Christmas punch."

Suddenly there were heard heavy steps on the piazza, muffled by the drifted snow, and then a sharp rapping on the door. With a surprised cry the four Truesdales sprang to their feet. It took but a moment for the Captain to spring lightly up the steps and disappear in the garret above.

"Why, it's 'Jake' Stubbs!" cried Mrs. Truesdale. "Step in, 'Jakey,' and what would ye?"

"Thank ye, ma'am, I am a bit stiff from the cold, and I'd like to bide a bit by the fire before I go on toward Trenton. And didn't I hear the Captain's voice just now as I came in?"

"Faith and ye did, sir," said the Captain, appearing in the doorway. "I took ye for a hated Hessian. How are ye?" and he shook "Jake's" hand cordially.

How different would have been "Jake's" reception had the family known that deep down in his pocket lay a bit of enscrolled parchment setting forth that "Jake" Stubbs was duly commissioned a lieutenant in His Majesty King George's service. Even now as he sat by Truesdale's fire warming his numbed fingers his little eyes twinkled as he was planning how he could best betray to the Hessians Captain Truesdale, and thereby curry favor with the British commander.

Fortune favored him. Only half an hour after he had started toward Trenton, in the blinding snowstorm already in progress, he came upon a small band of Hessians, one of the few foraging parties that had been sent out that day. They had lost their

THREE HEADS APPEARED IN THE DOORWAY AND THREE MUSKETS WERE LEVELLED AT THE HALF DOZEN HESSIAN SOLDIERS.

way and were wandering around aimlessly.

"I'll find ye a warm fireside and a rebel spy to boot," announced "Jake" to the Hessian officer in command. His own footprints, though fast being obliterated, yet made a fairly good trail back to the Truesdale house, and just as the Captain was telling his children it was time they had gone to bed Truesdale found himself a prisoner. He was bound hand and foot, and none too gently placed upon a chair in one corner.

"It's the fortunes of war, ma'am," "Jake" had remarked to the weeping Mrs. Truesdale, but he shuffled uneasily before the blazing, wrathful eyes of the poor woman. A moment before Mrs. Truesdale had hurried her two children up stairs away from the loud mouthed Hessians, but the suspense was too great, and they crept down in the dark to where they could hear what was said through the open door.

"Yes," they could hear "Jake" saying to their mother, "to-morrow morning early the Captain will be taken on to Trenton and tried by drumhead court-martial as a spy, and shot, most likely."

At this dreadful news the two children crouching in the hallway clutched each other in the anguish of the moment.

"Come," said Jack to Dolly presently, and following her brother she stole out into the kitchen.

"Dolly," muttered Jack, "there is a faint chance that Washington will arrive in time to save father, but we must not depend upon it, for it is storming hard and the river is full of ice, and I see not how the great General can cross with all his men and steeds and cannon. I am going down to old Bricksten's wharf, and mayhap I will find there some kind of an old boat. I shall try to cross over and to find the American camp and if possible bring back aid."

No one noticed the two small figures as they crept out of the house and floundered through the snow, now knee high, in the direction of the river's edge. After an hour the two nearly exhausted reached the wharf, and under its lea, out of the reach of the current, lay a small, sturdy rowboat. But it was frozen in on all sides. It was another hour's work before they had succeeded, with the aid of the oars, in breaking away the ice sufficiently to permit them to send the boat out into the rapid current of the river, and even then great chunks of snow-topped ice crunched and jolted against the boat's sides, and it seemed to the two children that it would surely be stove in, leaving them to perish in the icy water.

At last they were on land. Poor Dolly was well-night spent, and sturdy Jack went in search of the American camp, whose camp fires were plainly discernible only a few rods away.

The row across had been a herculean task for the two children, and was no easy thing for even the stalwart soldiers, a half dozen of whom had volunteered to cross into the enemy's country and rescue Captain Truesdale.

In the meantime affairs had taken a dangerous turn at the Truesdale house. Some one proposed to hang the Captain out of hand, to save the trouble of carrying him to Trenton. This met with a chorus of approval, and they were about to put the sentence into execution when the Hessian officer gave a start and put down his mug with a shaking hand.

"Ach, Himmel!" he growled, "I seed a face at the window."

Hardly were the words uttered when three heads appeared in the doorway and three muskets were leveled at the half dozen Hessian soldiers, whose firearms lay useless out of reach in a corner. The lieutenant said "I surrender."

At the very first appearance of the Continental soldiers Dolly and Jack had flown into the room, and with two swift strokes of a knife Jack had released his father.

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The next day, when General Washington captured Trenton and all its Hessian troops, he was told of how Captain Truesdale had been rescued by his two brave children, and nothing would do but that Jack and Dolly should be brought to him. He complimented them on their bravery and their loyalty to the cause, and then, with a merry twinkle in his eye, he told Captain Truesdale that he was going to invite himself to Christmas dinner at the Truesdale house that very day, but he never did, because before that time he and his army were on the wing.—New York Herald.

Poor Things.

Child—"Mamma, it says here that the people in Samoa don't wear stockings."

Parent—"Yes, dear; that's right."

Child—"Well, what do they have when we have Christmas?"

Christmas Eve.

My childhood's Christmases each brought to me
The wondrous glory of a Christmas tree;
Now every year, since I've to manhood grown,
I buy a tree for children of my own,
And so to-night my mind looks back and sees
Life a long avenue of Christmas trees.

—Carolyn Wells, in Puck.

Christmas Dainties

It is often almost impossible to obtain fresh candies, especially the finer qualities, like French creams, etc., in small towns and remote country neighborhoods. Few women who have never tried it are aware how easily they may make their own bonbons for any festivity, and at what slight expense. It is a pleasant task to undertake and only requires close following of directions and a certain deftness of touch which should be natural to those who make delicate cakes, etc.

The basis of all the cream candies is what the French call fondant, prepared in this way: "To a pint of granulated sugar add a pint of water and set on the back of the stove until melted. Gently shake the pan occasionally, but do not stir the liquid. When the sugar is dissolved draw to the front of the stove and boil briskly for ten minutes, then test. When it will "hair," i. e., comes from the spoon on long threads, it is done. Remove from the fire and set in a pan of cold water to cool. When about blood warm, add half a teaspoonful of cream tartar and begin to beat it with a strong spoon. It will gradually whiten, and when it can be handled take it out on a clean board or the top of a marble table and work till soft and creamy, kneading it as you would dough and using pulverized sugar like flour, if necessary. Your fondant is now ready for a number of creams, etc., which you can vary in many ways.

A very good candy is made by chopping half a cup of nut meats. Boil a cup of "A" sugar, a lump of butter the size of a walnut and one-third of a cup of water. When a drop or two of the hot syrup will ball in the fingers in cold water stir in the nuts. When it clouds, drop by spoonfuls on buttered paper.

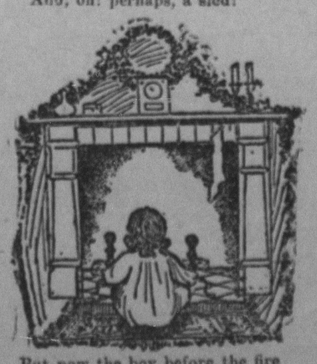
Color may be given to the fondant by using a few drops of fruit juice, which should be strained. Lemon, vanilla and other flavors may be employed and some of the sugar prepared for sugared nuts makes good lemon drops if a little lemon juice is added to it.

Presents in a Football.

Real leather footballs, made to open at one seam for the reception of Christmas goodies, may also be used to hold Christmas gifts for the college boy, provided they can be small enough to go into the opening. It was originally the idea of a confectioner, the contents to be candies, but it has been taken up by friends of the football teams as an approprite mode of conveying their gifts.

Then and Now.

When I was but a little boy
Before the open fire,
And filled with coming Christmas joy
I saw the flames leap higher.
I pictured all the toys to come
When I was snug in bed—
A horn, some soldiers and a drum,
And, oh! perhaps, a sled!



But now the boy before the fire
Cares little for such things,
A racing wheel is his desire—
A phonograph that sings.
Among the dancing flames so bright
He sees new fashioned toys
That Santa Claus will bring to-night
To brand new fashioned boys.

SANTA CLAUS UP TO DATE.

Children's Corner

NEARLY TEN.

When a body comes to be nearly ten,
Ah! all sorts of troubles beset her then.
At least, if the body happens to be
The eldest of all in the family,
Whose mother's at work the whole of the day;
And I'm that body, I may as well say!

There isn't a baby in all our street
Who's nearly as pretty, or half as sweet
As our little Sally; but oh, dear me!
It's strange how heavy that baby can be.
And Tommy's a wonderful boy, I know;
But sometimes that child does bother me so.

It's "Hush-a-bye, baby," and off she goes;
But, if I put her down, that baby knows.
And, as soon as she's fast asleep,
Then down on the floor our Tommy will creep,
And it's—"Don't wake baby, be quiet, do;"
Or—"Tommy, you'll pull that cat's tail in two."

But, perhaps, when a body's worn out quite,
Her dear little mother will come in sight.
Then it's—"Polly, my pet, what should I do
If I hadn't a good little girl like you?"
And, somehow, a body feels glad just then
She's a grown-up girl of nearly ten!

—Cassell's Little Folks.

STEALING A STEAM WHISTLE.

A gentleman who has a steam mill in Waldo purchased a large steam whistle which he carried home and placed on his mill.

A number of boys conceived the idea of stealing this whistle—"just for a lark," they said. The owner, hearing of their plan, remained in his mill all night. Sixty pounds of steam was kept up. About midnight the boys put in an appearance and climbed upon the roof of the building. Just as one applied a wrench to the whistle, Mr. Sanborn opened the throttle wide, and there went up into the stillness of the night such a screech as was never before heard in Waldo. People jumped from their beds in fright and wondered what was up. The boys tumbled off the roof of that mill as though shot, and departed as rapidly as their legs could carry them, while Mr. Sanborn fired a gun after them, to hasten their retreat. The whistle is still on the mill.—The Weekly Bouquet.

PET COCKATOOS AND THEIR WAYS.

Lady Broome has been telling some of the joys of owning a pet cockatoo. She says. "I gave up the cage after that and established him on a stand in the dining room window, for I found that the birds in the conservatory literally could not bear the sight of him. A light chain securely fastened on his leg promised safety, but he contrived to get within reach of my new curtains, and rapidly devoured some half-yard or so of a hand-painted border that was the pride of my heart.

"Then came an interval of calm and exemplary behavior, which lulled me into a false security. Cockie seemed to have but one object in life, which was to pull out all his own feathers, and by evening the dining room often looked as though a white fowl had been plucked in it. I consulted a bird doctor, but as Cockie's health was perfectly good and his diet all that could be recommended, it was supposed that he plucked himself only for want of occupation, and firewood was recommended as a substitute.

"This answered very well, and he spent his leisure in gnawing sticks; only, when no one chanced to be in the room, he used to unfasten the swivel of his chain, leave it dangling on the stand and descend in search of playthings. When the fire had not been lighted I often found half the coal pulled out of the grate and the firewood in splinters.

"At last, with warm weather, both coal and wood were removed, so the next time Master Cockie found himself short of a job he set to work on the dining room chairs, first pulling out all their bright nails, and then tearing holes in the leather."

THE PINE TREE HOUSE.

During the long summer afternoon the children played amid the branches in the pine-tree house.

Through the green roof overhead they could see the big white clouds drifting quietly across the blue sky that glittered behind the dark pine needles.

From the many green-curtained windows they could look down upon the garden far below, where the gravel paths twinkled in the sunlight, where the gayly colored butterflies sailed slowly from blossom to blossom, where the birds hopped about on the short, cool grass, and where the flowers swayed before the breeze that wove in and out the thin shadows lying upon the garden and against the walls of the house. The shadow up in the pine tree house was broad and dark. It spread over the children, and, sliding down from the edge of the platform floor, rested among the pine needles in the remote depths below.

In their lofty dining room the children played tea party. The bright tin dishes and pieces of broken chinaware were spread out on the boards. There was water for the tea, a pine cone for the bread-loaf, grass for the salad, and a dish of cherries for the dessert. What the children ate tasted very good, in fancy, to them, and they thought the doll enjoyed it quite as much as themselves.—Sarah S. Stillwell, in Harper's Magazine.

JAMIE'S VISIT TO A VOLCANO.

Ever since I was a real little fellow—I am about nine now—I have been interested in volcanoes.

Once I tried to make one in the back yard, but mother says I mustn't tell about that, as it was a very naughty, dangerous thing to do; for, when my volcano burst—erupted I guess is the word—it burnt off my eyebrows and eyelashes, a little bit of my hat, and took a lot of skin from one cheek and hand. That was not a nice volcano.

But, though I stopped making volcanoes, I kept thinking about them; and I studied about them in my geography. And last spring, when mother told me that she was going to take me to Europe, the first thing I asked was, "Shall I see a volcano?"

She said: "Yes, we are going right to one. The Vesuvius you have studied about is very near Naples, and Naples is where we are going to land."

I tell you, I was glad; and all the time we were on the ocean I talked about Vesuvius. Mother promised, no matter what time in the night we came in sight of it, she would let me get up to see it. So very late one night she waked me up. She had to call and shake me several times; but the minute she said, "We can see the volcano now," I was wide awake in a jiffy.

We hurried up on deck, and there was dear, old Vesuvius looking just like the pictures—fire streaming up out of the top, and a great red burning place on the side! Burning lava, a man said that was. It was just splendid; and mother and I went up on the captain's bridge and took a good, long look at it, and then I had to go back to bed. I was so glad that I saw the volcano then; for every night was foggy while we stayed in Naples, and Vesuvius never showed nice and red again, but was all pinky gray and smoky.

One day mother and I went up Vesuvius by carriage from Naples. We went through ever so many miles of dreadful looking black lava. It was everywhere, in big piles, and then like rivers, only all hard, and twisted sometimes like ropes. In one field was a big stream of lava still smoking, right close to grass and trees.

I kept jumping out of the carriage to pick up pieces of lava, and sometimes I found pretty flowers growing right in old, soft, powdery lava. The horse had to walk every step of the way up the mountain; and by and by we had to walk, too, as the lava had come across the road earlier in the season. After a while we came to a little railway station, and we went up the cone of the volcano in queer open cars. We could see out each side, and the track was about as steep as the side of a house. Then we had to walk ever so far through very deep ashes to the crater; and the guides held us by our arms, and let us look down into the crater.

It was an awful big, deep hole! and one side was bright yellow with sulphur, and a strong smell of matches made us cough. Down in the bottom of the crater were some round, red, fiery holes, where it was boiling and bubbling like fury. Then there would come a loud roar, and the guides pulled us back, and we ran off a little way; and lots of red-hot pieces of lava came out of the crater, and one piece hit a girl on the back and burned her dress a little, and she cried pretty loud, but she was more scared than hurt, mother said.

When we came down on the railroad, we stopped at the little eating room and had some nice rolls and coffee. Think of eating on top of a volcano! Then, at the little store, I bought a pretty sheet of paper with a picture of Vesuvius on it in colors, just as natural as could be; and I wrote a letter to my little sister in America. I posted it right there; and when I got home my sister showed me the letter, with the postmark "Vesuvius" on the envelope.

A big wagon took us down the road to where the lava stopped us in coming up, and we walked quickly across the lava and found the carriage waiting, and then we drove to the hotel; but I was so very tired that the first thing I knew I was fast asleep, and dreamed I was still climbing Vesuvius. —Elizabeth Robinson, in Little Men and Women.

Giantess Footracer.

Miss Julia Austin, the Lake county giantess and footracer, has just arrived from the snow-capped peaks of Alaska, where she has been in training for more than 12 months. She was matched against a great Alaska Indian footracer in a dash of 200 yards for $40,000. She ran the distancce in 0:20, racing her victim from start to finish and winning the glittering gold by a small distance. This beautiful young lady stands seven feet three inches in her stocking feet, weighs 160 pounds, was born in Colorado and raised in Lake county. She speaks seven different languages, and can outrun any human being on earth for money. —Willet Press.

Moved by Electric Power.

A house in Wellsville, Ohio, was recently moved by electric power taken from a trolley line. The house was being moved along the street where there was an electric car line. Two cars were hitched to the house by a rope, and it was quickly pulled to its new destination

THE CENTRE REPORTER.

CENTRE HALL, PA., Thurs., Dec. 20.

Slippers
For Christmas

For Her

No other shoe store in Bellefonte pays quite as much attention to this branch of the business as we do, and our Holiday stock is a really remarkable collection of Slipper elegance and quality. Warm, comfortable Bed room and house slippers of felt, fur-trimmed, at $1.00 to $1.50 per pair.

For Him.

Every man enjoys the comfort there is in a Slipper. You are likely thinking of a Christmas gift for a husband, a son, a father, a brother or some one else's brother. We have all the late ideas—handsome Slippers in Calf, Kid and Velvet, at 50 cents to $2.00 per pair. We certainly have the Slippers that WILL PLEASE HIM. Come to the Slipper Store for Christmas Slippers.

MINGLE'S SHOE STORE,
Bellefonte.

CHURCH APPOINTMENTS.

Presbyterian—Centre Hall, 10.30 a. m.; Pine Stump, 3.00 p. m.

Reformed—Centre Hall, 7 p. m., Union, 10 a. m.; Spring Mills, 2.30 p. m.

Lutheran—Centre Hall, 7 p. m.; Spring Mills, 10 a. m.; Tusseyville, 2 p. m.

Christmas Service.

Appropriate Christmas service will be held in the Reformed church Monday evening prior to Christmas. The Reformed church is the only one in town that will observe Christmas in that way.

Hurt in a Peculiar Way.

Near Tylersville a few days ago, Jonathan Ruhl was felling trees. One tree when partially cut through, split and sprung backward; Mr. Ruhl was caught and thrown several feet. His arm was broken in two places.

Lucky Hunters.

Saturday John and Boyd Shope, of Cato, this county, two boys yet in their teens, went hunting, and in the evening they brought home three bears and a big wild cat. The bears were an old female and two cubs and weighed respectively 200, 78 and 75 pounds.

To Correspondents.

Correspondents of the Reporter will please send in their communications next week as usual, as the Reporter will be pulished on December 27. The following week, January 3, this paper will not be published, in order to give its force a week's vacation and to conform to a custom long established.

Visited the Schools.

County Superintendent Gramley visited the Centre Hall schools Friday of last week, and found everything in good working order. The high school is composed largely of boys, girls being few in number. This is a condition that never existed heretofore—the female element always being largely in the majority.

Lecture on Ben Hur.

A tale of Christ illustrated with seventy-two beautiful and realistic colored steriopticon views, especially prepared for this lecture, in London, England, will be given in Grange Arcadia, Wednesday evening, December 26. Messrs. John H. Keller and S. Charles Hoover, students from the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, have the matter in charge.

Shoot for Fun.

That's what will be done at George R. Miese's store, at Colyer, Christmas afternoon. There is an old custom among the "shootists" in the vicinity of Potters Mills, Tusseyville and Colyer to gather at Colyer and indulge in extensive mark shooting on Christmas, and the Reporter is asked to announce that the "Bull's Eye" will be punched fuller of holes than ever on the 25th inst.

Serious Accident.

Oscar Wert, of Millheim, while assisting Jerome Gephart, of the same place, in hauling corn fodder fell from a load of the storrer and suffered a complete dislocation of the elbow joint and a fracture of the upper bone of the joint. The splintered condition of the bone made the reducing of the fracture rather difficult, but the skill of Dr. C. S. Musser was equal to the occasion.

Our Dumb Animals.

Rev. Rearick, in the Lutheran church Sunday evening, preached a sermon on the treatment of dumb brutes that would do many more persons good to hear. Besides being kind to the brute, he claimed the dumb animal should be shown justice and given its seventh day for rest. While the brute does not need the seventh day in which to glorify God, but its constitutional make-up—so constituted by God—does need it for rest. Show the brute kindness; give it justice.

TRAIN OVERTAKES HAND CAR.

Section Boss Kaler Miscalculates His Speed and is Run Down.

A distressing accident occurred near Coburn on Saturday afternoon which might have cost the lives of two men. Thomas Kaler, the railroad foreman and his son Jesse, were propelling a hand car, on their way to work after the noon meal, when a short distance below the dwelling of George Reiter, they heard the whistle of the freight engine which was then east of the Beaver Dam tunnel. Mr. Kaler and his son thereupon stopped the hand car, and instead of taking the car off the track, they concluded they could run ahead of the freight, past siding No. 36, where they knew the freight would stop to put in a car, but before they reached the siding the freight bore down upon them. Thomas Kaler in attempting to jump off the car, was thrown violently upon the ground, and it is supposed fell upon his head. The freight crew found him unconscious, and he was taken to his home and Dr. G. S. Frank summoned to attend him, who found no cuts nor bruises, but he was bleeding from the ears and mouth, and it was evident that he was hurt internally. On Sunday he rallied somewhat, and became conscious for a short time. He is at present in a critical condition. Jesse Kaler escaped with only a few bruises. It is hoped that Mr. Kaler will recover from his serious mishap, as he has always been a trusted employe of the company for which he worked.

JAMES SHAWVER KILLED.

A Mass of Stone Pins Him to a Car, and Crushes Out Life.

James Shawver, was instantly killed at the Morris' lime quarries Thursday morning of last week. He only began working at the quarries a short time before, and at the time the accident happened he was assisting to load a car with stone. A heavy mass of stone fell from the side of the quarry, striking him on the back and pinning him against the car. His fellow laborers immediately began to release him, but the heavy mass of rock had crushed the life out of him.

The unfortunate young man had been married but a short time ago to Miss Nettie Hardy, of Bellefonte, at which place he began housekeeping. He was a son of Isaac Shawver, who a few years ago lived on the old road near Gregg's farm, west of Centre Hall.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

The Organization Effected in the Opera House.—The Court House Occupied.

The fifty-fourth annual session of the Centre County Teachers' Institute opened Monday afternoon in the opera house at Bellefonte. There were two hundred eighty-seven teachers in attendance, under the direction of County Superintendent C. L. Gramley. The address of welcome was made by Clement Dale, of Bellefont, and Prof. I. H. Mauser, of Philipsburg, responded. The instructors of the afternoon were Dr. H. R. Pettengill, ex-State Superintendent of Public Instruction of Michigan, and Prof C. C. Ellis, of Juniata College, Huntingdon, Pa.

The court house was occupied by Judge Bell who was hearing a land case, which consumed nearly two weeks' time. Tuesday morning the institute resumed work at its accustomed place in the court house.

Presbyterian Christmas Sale.

The Presbyterian Christmas sale will be continued Saturday, the 22nd, both afternoon and evening. The results of the sale last Saturday were most gratifying and the ladies are hard at work preparing for next Saturday. Among the articles already handed in or promised are several toilet cushions, sofa pillows, passe par tout pictures, domestic and clothes pin aprons, infant's bootes, hair receivers, etc. There will also be a fine assortment of fresh, home made candies. Orders may be left at the manse or with any of the ladies.

Merchant Smith's Greeting.

A Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year to you all is my wish, and in order for it to be such come and buy your Xmas candies, oranges and nice presents for your best friend at our store, as you will find a very nice line with us. In the line of 'kerchiefs, chinaware, lamps, toys, etc., you can surely make a choice at our store. Come and see. J. F. SMITH,
Centre Hall Station.

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE.

James W. Runkle, trustee to J. Wells Evans, dated Dec. 11, 1900 for 126 acres and 53 perches in Gregg township for $21 24 50.

Elias Bressler, et ux., to Harvey M. Limbert, dated March 26, 1900, for 16 acres and 6 perches in Miles township, for $1300.00.

Samuel B. Stover, et ux., to Solomon Winklebleck, Admr., dated March 27, 1868, for 17 acres and 106 perches in Haines township, for $925

Holiday Photos.

Smith makes them in all the latest up to date styles. The Passe-Partout mounted photos make an elegant Christmas present. At Centre Hall every Friday. W. W. SMITH.

Clyde Smith, who fell from the telephone pole at State College on the 7th inst., is able to sit up in his room.

MR. WHITEHEAD'S SPEECH.

The Special Farmers' Institute Saturday Evening a Success.

The first of a series of special farmers' institutes to be held all over Centre county, under the auspices of the County Pomona Grange, was held Saturday evening in Grange Arcadia. Hon. L. Rhone presided, and after the preliminaries Mr. Whitehead, of New Jersey, opened his address by paying Progress Grange a high compliment on their well appointed hall and the County Grange was praised for its marked success in conducting a great annual exhibition and picnic, and a fire insurance company that is not excelled in any way.

Mr. Whitehead did not condemn all other trades and professions, but pointed out that the farmers were too lax in many respects. The non-representation of the farming class in the popular branch of congress, is largely because the farmer fails to support such men. He spoke of the great growth of the agricultural department of the U. S. Beginning at the suggestion of a committee of the National Grange, the department grew to its present enormous proportions, three of the chief's of which were commended in their actions in general.

Another great scheme just now being appreciated by the farming class and those in rural districts—rural free mail delivery—was first suggested by the same order. Mr. Whitehead was one of a committee who went before the post roads committee of congress and asked the modest sum of $10,000 for an experiment in rural free mail delivery. The request was granted. The scheme proved a success; the appropriations were increased, and the coming year $3,000,000 will be used for that purpose. The trusts were scored, but none too hard. The farmers were encouraged on every hand, and a brighter future attained by thorough organizations held up to them.

Owing to illness, State Lecturer Packard could not join the lecturing party for the South side of the county, consequently State Master Hill was transferred from the south to the north side. The newly elected State Lecturer Mr. Cornell, of Bradford county, filled Mr. Hill's place at Millheim Tuesday evening, and continued filling the appointments.

Reports from all sections relative to these meetings are very favorable, both as to attendance and interest manifested.

Horse Blankets.

You will find a large assortment of horse blankets and robes at D. A. Boozer's saddler and harness rooms.

BRIEF LOCALS.

The latest report from Thos. Kaler, of Coburn, is that he is improving.

Read the advertisement of G. H. Long, Spring Mills, in another column; he is quoting prices on salt.

W. S. Hettinger, of near Spring Mills, spent part of Wednesday in Centre Hall, and called at this office.

Harry Decker, of near Centre Hill, was a caller Wednesday, but his stay was brief owing to the illness of his wife.

A car of poultry was shipped from Spring Mills this week, the first full car that possibly ever went out from that point.

More than one hundred persons attended a surprise party given George A. Homan, near State College, Monday evening.

M. Fox bought a dozen horses yesterday and to-day, Thursday, he expects to buy enough to fill a car and ship on Friday.

The Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Co., of Centre Hall meets at the hotel to-day, Thursday. It is the regular quarterly meeting.

Frank Wion and Richard Brooks, of near Bellefonte, were in Centre Hall. Mr. Brooks will become tenant on the farm of Capt. G. M. Boal, south west of town.

Farmer Luther Royer and Clyde Stamm, of Linden Hall, were callers Tuesday evening. Mr. Royer is one of the successful farmers in his locality and will continue to turn the soil on the Geiss farm for another year.

Lewis Waltz, formerly of Spring Mills, who is at present making his home with his sister, Mrs Lydia olf, at Mill Hall, was a caller Wednesday. Mr. Waltz sold his farm at Spring Mills recently to the Shook Brothers, and it is his intention to go west in the near future, where he has a son J. O. Waltz, at Sidney, Neb., on a stock ranch.

On the evening of Christmas day, Tuesday, an elaborate program of music under the leadership of Prof. P. H. Meyer, will be rendered in the Reformed church at Boalsburg. The children will also have a number of recitations, and will be given the usual Christmas treat. A Christmas offering will be taken for the benefit of the orphans at Womelsdorf.

Married.

At Fairbrook, Dec. 19, 1900, at eleven and a half o'clock, by Rev. A. A. Black, Mr. John F. Buckwalter, of Lancaster, and Miss Sarah Alice McWilliams, of Fairbrook.

At Pine Hall, Dec. 20, at eleven o'clock, by Rev. A. A. Black, Mr. Charles Strouse and Miss Elizabeth E. Corl, both of State College.

ARE YOU ECONOMICAL
ARE YOU THROWING AWAY MONEY
WHERE ARE YOU BUYING YOUR CLOTHING?

At the present time we can make you economical, save you money, by charging less for new, well-made, stylish clothing than others charge for their old, commonly-made, out-of-date goods, for there is now in progress one of the greatest Clothing Sales ever known in Centre Co. Have you heard of it? If not you will, for it is the talk of all good buyers. We need the cash and are going to have it. Our entire stock is marked at such prices that it will only be a short time until we have the cash, and others have the goods. No exceptions whatever in this reduction. Everything is to be sacrificed. Even our "Military Cut" Suits, which others will have and tell you about next season, are placed within the reach of all. ☞ All will be served with the best accommodation, as our list of salesmen has been increased. ☞ Goods to be as represented or we trade back.

Yours for Business,
Sim, The Clothier,
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Seven-Piece
Golden Oak..
Chamber Suit, $16 66.
Mattress, $2.50.
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Order one at once.

ALL CORRESPONDENCE
ANSWERED PROMPTLY.

Sarah E. Weber,
Boalsburg, Penn'a.

Will Dine Hunting Club.

Rev. W. W. Roads will dine the "Old Regular Hunting Club" at his home in Centre Hall, Tuesday evening of next week. The Club consists of twelve or fourteen members—their host one of them—all of whom are olly good fellows.

Removed Growth From Nose.

Dr. C. S. Musser removed a cancerous growth from the nose of Daniel Wolf, of Aaronsburg, which proved an entire success. The growth was offensive looking, and the removal and healing up of the same is very gratifying to Mr. Wolf.

The Best Plaster.

A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound to the affected parts is superior to any plaster. When troubled with lame back or pains in the side or chest, give it a trial and you are certain to be more than pleased with the prompt relief which it affords. Pain Balm also cures rheumatism. One application gives relief. For sale by Mrs. J. W. Keller, Linden Hall; J. F. Smith, Centre Hall.

Smith Bros., Spring Mills, can supply your wants for Christmas season.

The Centre Reporter one year for one doller cash in advance.

ROOFING SLATE.

ED. F. FOREMAN, Centre Hall, Penn'a.

HANDLES all grades of roofing slates. Estimates made per square. Work done by experienced mechanics. Slate is as cheap as shingles and far superior. 13dec1y.

L. L. SMITH, Agent for . .
Glenwood Nursery, Rochester, New York,

will call on you before long and if you wish to purchase fruit trees, berry bushes, vines, bulbs, or anything grown by nurserymen, you will find he has both the best stock and lowest prices. He also sells the ROCHESTER SPRAY PUMP, the best of the kind made. 13dec

For SLEIGHS and SLEDS go to Wm. W. Boob, Centre Hall, Pa. Light Bob Woods, ready to iron and paint, for $6.00 and up.

Ladies

Should know that white shirt waists and collars, perfectly laundered, make up for other short comings in dress. Give them to Wm. McC. Wolf, to send to the Bellefonte Steam Laundry.

Public Sale Register.

John F. Breon—March 21, Spring Mills; farm stock, implements, etc.

DEC. 21, at Centre Hall, 2 p. m., a tract of woodland containing 10 acres.—George M. Boal, executor of Margaret and Nancy Sparr.

R. P. Odenkirk—Wednesday, March 6, farm stock, implements and household goods.

CAUTION NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that the following personal property was purchased by the undersigned at constable's sale on Dec. 1, 1900, and all persons are hereby cautioned not to meddle with the same: 2 sinks, 2 tables, 6 chairs, 3 rockers, 2 beds, bureau, 3 carpets, cook stove, coal stove, 3 stands, lounge, dishes, bed clothing, 2 hogs, 12 chickens, cow, together with all the defendant's, Andrew Moyer's, personal property.
13dec3t MAGGIE MOYER.

Free Ad. Column.

FOR SALE:—

Centre Hall horse power for sale cheap.—A. C. Alexander, Centre Hill.

Good bay horse 10 years old, weighs about 1300 lbs.; works single or double.—D. A. Ertle, Penn Hall, Pa.

Fine bay mare can be bought very reasonable.—C. P. Long, Spring Mills.

NOTICE.—Public notice is hereby given to all persons not to purchase a certain note, made payable to Daniel Ertle, and signed by the undersigned, bearing date December 11, 1900, due in thirty days, in the sum of $75.00, as the same will not be paid unless compelled by law, as we did not receive value for the same
GEORGE HETTINGER,
W. S. HETTINGER.
Spring Mills, Pa., Dec. 20, 1900.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.—IN THE ORPHAN'S Court of Centre County, in the matter of the estate of John H. Odenkirk, deceased, late of Potter township, the undersigned an Auditor appointed by the Court of Centre County, to ascertain and report liens against the real estate described in the proceedings in partition, and to report a schedule for distribution, will attend to the duties of his appointment at his office in Krider's Exchange, Bellefonte, Pa., on Tuesday, January 15, 1901, at 10 o'clock a. m., where and when all persons interested may attend if they see proper. J. H. WETZEL,
Auditor.

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Stick " "	10c
Dates, in 1 lb. packs	10c
Figs "	15c
Mixed Nuts per lb	15c
Peanuts per q't	5c
Pure Maple Sugar in 1 lb. bricks	20c
New England Peanut Taffy per lb	10c
Sugar-coated Pop Corn "	15c

You will also find our stock complete in the following: Oranges, Lemons, Bananas, Cranberries, Evaporated Peaches, Prunes, Raisins, Cheese, Shellbarks, Walnuts, Pop Corn, Citron, Pearl Tapioca, Spanish Onions, Oysters, Fancy New Orleans Molasses, Butterfly Syrup, Buckwheat Flour, Cornmeal, Spray and Golden Rod Flour, Frysinger Cigars, etc.

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